

Information Sheet Portable Storage Units (PSU)

Purpose:

This information sheet provides property owners and contractors with the City of Germantown's Regulations regarding Portable Storage Units (PSU's), commonly called PODS, SAMS, UNITS, or shipping containers.

General Information:

Portable Storage Units (PSU's) are defined as any transportable unit or container used for temporary storage which is typically delivered and removed by truck.

- Portable Storage Units in a residential district do not require a permit.
- Portable Storage Units must be placed in the driveway or on a hard surface 20 feet from the curb and no closer than 5 feet to any property line.
- Signage or advertising on Portable Storage Units is not permitted.
- Portable Storage Units are only allowed on a residential property for a maximum of 30 days in a one year period.
- Since the PSU is only allowed for 30 days, please make sure that packing and unpacking is done in this time period.
- Portable Storage Units cannot be placed on a city street or right of way.
- No Portable Storage Unit shall be used to store solid waste, construction debris, recyclable materials, business inventory, commercial goods or other illegal or hazardous materials.

If any questions arise pertaining to any Portable Storage Units or temporary storage containers, please call the Office of Germantown Code Compliance at 757-7263.